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1. THERE FOLLOWS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF A PART OF THE
FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE FRANCO-AFRICAN CONFERENCE HELD
AT PARIS MAY 22-23, ISSUED AFTERNOON OF MAY 24.
SEPTTEL REPORTS ON OTHER ASPECTS OF COMMUNIQUE.

2. QUOTE...THE PARTICIPANTS EMPHASIZED THE NECESSITY
OF OBTAINING FROM THE LARGE INDUSTRIAL POWERS MORE
SUBSTANTIAL PARTICIPATION IN FINANCING MAJOR ASPECTS
OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT PLANS...THEY RENEWED THE
INTEREST WHICH THEY HAD EXPRESSED IN PARIS IN 1976 AND
DAKAR IN 1977 IN THE PROPOSAL BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
FRENCH REPUBLIC TO INVITE HIS PARTNERS OF THE WESTERN
WORLD TO CARRY OUT IN COMMON AN EXCEPTIONAL ACTION FOR
THE PROMOTION OF AFRICA. IN THIS REGARD THEY EXPRESSED
THEIR PLEASURE REGARDING THE CONSULTATIONS WHICH THE
FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS UNDERTAKEN WITH THE UNITED STATES
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GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS WITH CERTAIN OF ITS EUROPEAN
PARTNERS. THEY NOTED THAT M. GISCARD D'ESTAING WILL
DISCUSS THIS QUESTION AGAIN WITH PRESIDENT CARTER ON
MAY 26 IN WASHINGTON. UNQUOTE.
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